

Hon. Thomas N. Downing
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

November 8, 1976

re: State v. Ray, cr. indictment no. 16645
Shelby county, Tennessee. (1968).

Dear Sir:

In re the above titled suit, just recently a lawyer representing me in a habeas corpus petition in the U.S. Supreme court phoned to say that a committee you chair intends to through a, Mr. Robert Ozer, appear at the State prison with a waiver of privilege for me to sign in respect to attorney(s) that have represented me in the above suit.

In re the committee's business, I would appreciate it if the committee would first contact the below listed Attorneys before it contact's me as the Lawyers are helping me in litigation related to the above indictment.

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In re the cr. suit, I do not know what the courts intend doing in the matter, relinquish jurisdiction to the commercial communications industry, if they have not already, or to your committee. However, there has been considerable testimony and information presented in two (2) federal suits in Memphis, Tennessee, titled, Ray v. Rose, 392 F. Supp. 601 (W.D. Tenn. 1975) & Ray v. Time Inc. no. C-76-274 (W.D. Tenn. 1976), which I assum the courts would avail to the committee, including testimony taken In Camera in Hon. Robert McRae's division.

Respectfully: James E. Ray #65477

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